MUNICIPAL CHARTERS

AND TO LICENSE THE SALE OF MARKETABLE COMMODITIES THEREIN.

- (28) MERIT AND PENSION SYSTEM. TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN MERIT AND PENSION SYSTEMS OR PROVIDE A GROUP INSURANCE PLAN PROVIDING HEALTH, ACCIDENT, HOSPITALIZATION, SURGICAL, ANY PENSION BENEFITS OR PAYMENTS OR ANY OF THEM FOR ALL CITY EMPLOYEES EXCEPT ELECTED OFFICIALS, OR THOSE SERVING WITHOUT COMPENSATION; OR TO INCLUDE ITS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN ANY RETIREMENT OR PENSION SYSTEM OPERATED BY OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE, ON SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS STATE LAWS MAY PRESCRIBE. IN CONNECTION WITH ANY MERIT SYSTEM ESTABLISHED, THE CITY MAY REQUEST AND AVAIL ITSELF OF THE FACILITIES OF THE COMMISSIONER OF STATE EMPLOYMENT AND REGISTRATION FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF SUCH MERIT SYSTEM WITHOUT UNNECESSARY EXPENSE.
- (29) MINOR PRIVILEGES. TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A SYSTEM OF MINOR PRIVILEGES, AND PROVIDE LICENSES AND FEES THEREFOR; PROVIDED THAT, NO GRANT OF A MINOR PRIVILEGE MAY BE USED TO AVOID THE REQUIREMENTS OF ANY PLANNING OR ZONING ORDINANCES.
- (30) MUSEUMS, ETC. TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN MUSEUMS, AND ART CENTERS, INCLUDING THOSE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS; TO PRESERVE, PROTECT, AND MAINTAIN BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES OF HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE OR IMPORTANCE; AND TO REQUIRE THE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND AREAS OF HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE OR IMPORTANCE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION AND MAINTENANCE OF HISTORICAL, ARTISTIC AND CULTURAL MATERIAL CONNECTED WITH THE CITY AND SURROUNDING AREA, OR THE RESIDENTS OR FORMER RESIDENTS THEREOF.
- (31) MUTUAL ARRANGEMENT. THE CITY SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE A MUTUAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE STATE OF MARYLAND, OR ANY AGENCY THEREOF, WITH WICOMICO, SOMERSET, OR WORCESTER COUNTIES, OR ANY AGENCY THEREOF, OR WITH ANY OTHER MUNICIPALITY OF EITHER OF SAID COUNTIES, FOR THE MUTUAL OWNERSHIP OR OPERATION OF ANY FACILITY OR UTILITY, OR PART THEREOF; OR BY CONTRACT TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR OR RECEIVE SERVICES FROM ANY SUCH GOVERNMENTAL BODY, OR AGENCY THEREOF.
- (32) PARKING LOTS. TO LICENSE, REGULATE, ESTABLISH, OPERATE, ACQUIRE, OWN AND MAINTAIN PARKING LOTS; AND TO CHARGE FOR THE USE OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED AND/OR OPERATED PARKING LOTS.
- (33) PARKS. TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN SUCH PARKS, SQUARES, GARDENS, PLAYGROUNDS, AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AS IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COUNCIL ARE DEEMED